KENTUCKY BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR MASSAGE THERAPY BOARD MEETING MINUTES October 29, 2012

A regular meeting of the Kentucky Board of Licensure for Massage Therapy was held at the Office of Occupation and Professions 911 Leawood Drive, Frankfort Kentucky, on October 29, 2012.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Cheryl Turner, ND, Chair Laurie Bond Horsford, Citizen-at-Large Katherine Warner, LMT Denise Logsdon, LMT, Vice-Chair Max Maxwell, Citizen-at-Large

MEMBERS ABSENT

Tom Hansen, LMT

OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS STAFF

Carolyn Benedict

OTHERS

Cyndi Schnell, AMTA L&L Committee

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Michael West, Assistant Attorney General

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Turner, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:22 a.m.

MINUTES

Because of a computer issue the minutes were not available for review. They will be submitted for approval at the November meeting. Ms. Turner addressed the AMTA representative regarding the notes they take at the board meetings. She made the offer to be available to clarify any questions they may have regarding the meeting before posting their notes on the AMTA site.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Ms. Logsdon made a motion to accept the financial statement, being assured that an incorrect postage charge be credited back to the Board. Mr. Maxwell seconded the motion. The motion carried.

LICENSURE STATUS REPORT

The licensure status report was reviewed. Ms. Logsdon made a motion to accept the report. Mr. Maxwell seconded the motion. The motion carried.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Ms. Turner reported that she had attended the FSMTB Annual Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana. She stated that in comparison to other state massage boards, Kentucky appeared to be running smoothly, with effective procedures, support, regulations and laws. Many boards reported the need to improve communication with licensees and being more nimble with getting work done in a timely fashion. FSMTB's proposed legislation regarding continuing education, that Kentucky opposed, did not pass. Ms. Turner expressed her appreciation for being allowed to attend.

REPORT FROM O&P

On behalf of the Office of Occupations and Professions, Ms. Benedict reported that one new fiscal employee had begun and the next one would begin on November 16, 2012. Ms. Benedict also extended the opportunity to have Ms. Tucker to attend a board meeting to discuss IT matters. The board asked that Ms. Tucker attend the October 26 board meeting.

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ATTORNEY REPORT

Mr. West reported that he had completed the article he was asked to write for the fall board newsletter. He also informed members that the revisions to 201 KAR 42:080 had been made as requested and the Ms. Turner had signed them. They will be filed prior to the November 15 deadline.

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Warner reported that she had worked on the newsletter topics that Ms. Turner had given to her. She had also analyzed past newsletters for common themes, which the board discussed. Additional articles were assigned. The format of the newsletter was also discussed. Ms. Warner also asked to be provided with some licensing statistics for the newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS

Correspondence from Terry L. McKinney was reviewed. He requested an exemption to file a late renewal based upon KRS 309.361. Ms. Benedict was asked to inform him that he needed to submit a renewal, proof of CE's and the renewal/late fee.

The State of Florida Department of Health recently issued Emergency Suspension Orders against several Florida massage therapists. Two of them were also licensed in Kentucky. Ms. Benedict was asked to assign them a complaint number and serve the complaints to the Kentucky licensee's for response.

An appeal to the denial of a continuing education application from Patrice Masterson was received. Ms. West instructed Ms. Benedict to send him a copy of the application and he would proceed with the appeal process.

FARB Conference will be held January 24-26, 2013 in San Diego. Ms. Logsdon made a motion that the Board reimburse expenses to attend the meeting for up to 2 board members and for 1/3 of the expenses of Michael West. Ms. Horsford seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT

2011-05 – Ongoing

2012-01 – Ongoing – referred for additional investigation

2012-02 - Ongoing

2012-06 - Ongoing

2012-08 - Dismissed

2012-09 - Ongoing

2012-10 - Ongoing

2012-11 - Ongoing

2012-12 – Authorized attorney to file civil lawsuit seeking an injunction

2012-13 - Dismissed for lack of evidence

2012-14 - Dismissed for lack of evidence

2012-15 - Dismissed for lack of evidence

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2012-16 - Ongoing

2012-17 - Ongoing

Ms. Logsdon made a motion to accept the recommendation of the complaint committee. Ms. Horsford seconded the motion. The motion carried.

APPLICATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Applications Committee met on October 24, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. at the Office of Occupations and Professions 911 Leawood Drive, Frankfort Kentucky. All application committee members were in attendance. Two interviews were conducted.

Initial Applications (24)

Approved (23): Steven Bolia, Brittany Bradley, Stacia Burns, Ashley Cambron, Amber Colella, Robert Dorgan, Rachael Hale, Nicole Hamon, Ryan Huff, Christine Jacobs, Shannon Larkin, Laura Litkea, Illeana Lorenzo, Tina Martin, Dusty May, Amy Merrick, Laura Nagle, Behka Skipworth, Beth Stamman, Carolyn Strahan, Jordan Taylor, Shawna Timmerman Duo Wang

Deferred (1): Katrina Miles

Endorsements (9)

Approved (9): Sharon Bolling, Joy Carl, Jennifer Clayton, Ysmaray Diaz, Kimberly Guffey, Alexandria Heim, Melody Holt, Ruth Lehmkuhl, Peggy Putthoff

Renewals (39)

Approved (35): Keri Abney, LaDonna Gale Abney, Kimberly Alexander, Lane Alexander, Ginger Appleford, Nancy Barnett, Dorthy Boyle, David Brandt, Karin Brown, Amanda Carrier, Cara Davis, Melissa Drumright, Karen Hadland, Lin Hale, A. Kelly Hutchens, Albert Ignacio, Debbie Joplin, Tracy Jordan, Michelle King, Graham Loche, Sharon Meade, Jessica Mifflin, Rebecca Mikola, Elizabeth Peden, Jennifer Perry, Amanda Petrey, Barbara Ratterree, Kelly Roberts, Kasey Salyers, Hazel Singson, Elizabeth Slone, Christopher Sheldon. Melissa Strautman. Charita Woodward

Approved Pending (4): Carolyn Bryan, Yvonne Forest, Karen Tuell, Gary Vernatter

The board discussed a request for clarification from an applicant who has been denied. Ms. Benedict was asked to reply.

Ms. Logsdon made a motion to approve the recommendations of the Applications Committee. Mr. Maxwell seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

TRAVEL AND PER DIEM

Ms. Logsdon made a motion to approve the travel and per diem for members attending today's meeting. The motion, seconded by Ms. Warner, carried unanimously.

NEXT MEETING

In order to accommodate for the upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays the board has adjusted the November and December meeting schedules as follows: November 19, 2012 10:00 a.m. Application Committee meeting, November 26, 2012 10:00 a.m. Board Meeting. December 12, 2012 10:00 a.m. Application Committee, December 17, 2012 10:00 a.m. Board Meeting.

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Ms. Warner requested a list of schools that currently hold a Certificate of Good Standing with renewal dates for the next meeting.

<u>ADJOURN</u>

With no further business to be brought before the Board Ms. Warner made a motion that the meeting be adjourned at 12:27 p.m. on Monday, October 29, 2012. The motion, seconded by Ms. Logsdon, carried unanimously.

Approved 11/26/2012